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CURATOR'S REPORT

Whole number of bound volumes and pamphlets in the Library, 5425.

The Society has received from Dr. J. E. Cowles of this city, the donation of a very valuable Historical Manuscript Volume. It is a Log book of the U. S. Frigate Savannah, Flagship of Commodore John D. Sloat, Commander-in-Chief of the U. S. Pacific Squadron. It begins when the ship was lying in the harbor of Callao, Peru, March 24, 1845, and ends March 8, 1847, with the ship's arrival in New York harbor, after a cruise of 3 years 11 months and 19 days. This Log book was kept by Midshipman and Acting Lieut. Robert C. Duvall, an uncle of Dr. J. E. Cowles. The important historical part of it pertaining to California begins with the arrival of the Savannah in the harbor of Monterey, July 2, 1846. It contains a full and accurate account of the battle of Dominguez Ranch; of the expedition from San Diego to rescue Gen. Kearny and his men after the disastrous battle of San Pasqual; and of the march of Stockton's and Kearny's forces from San Diego to Los Angeles in January 1847, which resulted in the capture of the city. In all these movements Lieut. Duvall participated and describes them from the standpoint of an eye witness.

The thanks of the Society are tendered to Dr. J. E. Cowles and to his uncle, Capt. H. C. Cowles, of Statesville, N. C., for this valuable donation.

The Rev. J. Adam, an old valued member of the Society, before his departure for Spain last summer, presented to the Society a collection of old Spanish manuscripts pertaining to the Missions and the early days of California.

The thanks of the Society are tendered to the Rev. J. Adam for his valuable donation.

J. M. GUINN, Curator.

TREASURER'S REPORT

1899

RECEIPTS.

January 2—Balance on hand at this date as per last report.....	\$ 75 70
Feb'y. 9—Received from Pioneers Society	40 00
Donations.....	10 00
To Dec. 31—Received dues from Members Historical Society	59 25
Received membership fee	2 00
Oct. 11—Received for publications sold (Sutter document)	5 00
Total Receipts	\$ 191 95

1899

DISBURSEMENTS.

March 4—Paid for photographic work (Annual of 1898)	\$ 2 50
" 15—Paid for printing Annual.....	112 00
" 28—Sundries expenses of Secretary.....	5 40
May 18—Postal cards and printing.....	1 75
Dec. 30—Secretary's bill, postage, express etc	8 90
" Postage 70 cents, rubber stamp 25, two.....	95
Total Disbursements	\$ 131 50
Total Receipts	\$ 191 95
Total Disbursements	131 50
Balance on hand.....	\$ 60 45

E. BAXTER,
Treasurer.

January 1, 1900.